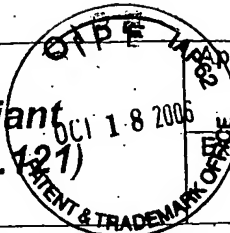


**Notice of Non-Compliant  
Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)**



Application No.

Applicant(s)

Examiner

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amendment document filed on 2-7-06 is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following (s) is required.

FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:

☒ 1. Amendments to the specification:

☐ A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.

☐ B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.

☒ C. Other Amendment to the specification must be on

☐ 2. Abstract:

☐ A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72.

☐ B. Other \_\_\_\_\_

☐ 3. Amendments to the drawings:

☐ A. The drawings are not properly identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or "Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d).

☐ B. The practice of submitting proposed drawing correction has been eliminated. Replacement drawings showing amended figures, without markings, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 are required.

☐ C. Other \_\_\_\_\_

☐ 4. Amendments to the claims:

☐ A. A complete listing of all of the claims is not present.

☐ B. The listing of claims does not include the text of all pending claims (including withdrawn claims).

☐ C. Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified. Note: the status of every claim must be indicated after its claim number by using one of the following status identifiers: (Original), (Currently amended), (Canceled), (Previously presented), (New), (Not entered), (Withdrawn) and (Withdrawn-currently amended).

☐ D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented in ascending numerical order.

☐ E. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ 5. The amendment is unsigned or not signed in accordance with 37 CFR 1.4.

further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP § 714 and the USPTO website at <http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/officeflyer.pdf>.

**PERIODS FOR FILING A REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:**

Applicant is given **no new time period** if the non-compliant amendment is an after-final amendment or an amendment filed after allowance. If applicant wishes to resubmit the non-compliant after-final amendment with corrections, the **entire corrected amendment** must be resubmitted within the time period set forth in the final Office action.

Applicant is given **one month**, or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice to supply the **corrected section** of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4, if the non-compliant amendment is one of the following: a preliminary amendment, a non-final amendment (including a submission for a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114), a supplemental amendment filed within a suspension period under 37 CFR 1.103(a) or (c), and an amendment filed in response to a *Quayle* action.

**Extensions of time** are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a) only if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a *Quayle* action.

**Failure to timely respond** to this notice will result in:

**Abandonment** of the application if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a *Quayle* action; or

**Non-entry** of the amendment if the non-compliant amendment is a preliminary amendment or supplemental amendment.

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11. ☐ **PLEASE AMEND** the specification before its first line by inserting as a separate paragraph:  
a. ☐ --This application is the national phase of international application PCT/FR2004/002102  
filed 6 August 2004 which designated the U.S.--  
b. ☐ --This application also claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No.  
60/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_--
12. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)), i.e., **before 18th month from first priority date above in item 3, are transmitted herewith (file only if in English) including:**
13. ☒ PCT Article 19 claim amendments (if any) have been transmitted by the International Bureau
14. ☒ Translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)), i.e., of **claim amendments made before 18th month, is attached (required by 20th month from the date in item 3 if box 4(a) above is X'd, or 30th month if box 4(b) is X'd, or else amendments will be considered canceled).**
15. **A declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4))**  
a. ☒ is submitted herewith ☒ Original ☐ Facsimile/Copy  
b. ☐ is not herewith, but will be filed when required by the forthcoming PTO Missing Requirements Notice per Rule 494(c) if box 4(a) is X'd or Rule 495(c) if box 4(b) is X'd.
16. **An International Search Report (ISR):**  
a. Was prepared by ☐ European Patent Office ☐ Japanese Patent Office ☐ Other  
b. ☒ has been transmitted by the international Bureau to PTO.  
c. ☐ copy herewith (2 pg(s).) ☐ plus Annex of family members (    pg(s).).
17. **International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER):**  
a. ☐ has been transmitted (if this letter is filed after 28 months from date in item 3) in English by the International Bureau with Annexes (if any) in original language.  
b. ☐ copy herewith in \_\_\_\_\_.  
c.1 ☐ IPER Annex(es) in original language ("Annexes" are amendments made to claims/spec/drawings during Examination) including attached amended:  
c.2 ☐ Specification/claim pages # \_\_\_\_\_  
Dwg Sheets # \_\_\_\_\_  
d. ☐ Translation of Annex(es) to IPER **(required by 30<sup>th</sup> month due date, or else annexed amendments will be considered canceled).**
18. **Information Disclosure Statement including:**  
a. ☒ Attached Form PTO-1449 listing documents  
b. ☒ Attached copies of documents listed on Form PTO-1449  
c. ☒ A concise explanation of relevance of ISR references is given in the ISR.
19. ☒ **Assignment document and Cover Sheet for recording are attached. Please mail the recorded assignment document back to the person whose signature, name and address appear at the end of this letter.**
20. ☐ Copy of Power to IA agent.
21. ☐ **Drawings** (complete only if 8d or 10a(4) not completed):     sheet(s) per set: ☐ 1 set informal;  
☐ Formal of size ☐ A4 ☐ 11"
22. Small Entity Status  $\blacklozenge$  ☒ is **Not** claimed ☐ is claimed (**pre-filing confirmation required**)  
22(a)     (No.) Small Entity Statement(s) enclosed (since 9/8/00 Small Entity Statements(s) not essential to make claim)
23. **[ X ] Priority** is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119/365 based on the priority claim and the certified copy, both filed in the International Application during the international stage based on the filing in (country) France of:  

	Application No.	Filing Date		Application No.	Filing Date
(1)	<u>FR0309770</u>	<u>August 8, 2003</u>	(2)	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
(3)	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	(4)	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
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a. ☒ See Form PCT/IB/304 sent to US/DO with copy of priority documents. If copy has not been received, please proceed promptly to obtain same from the IB.  
b. ☒ Copy of Form PCT/IB/304 attached.